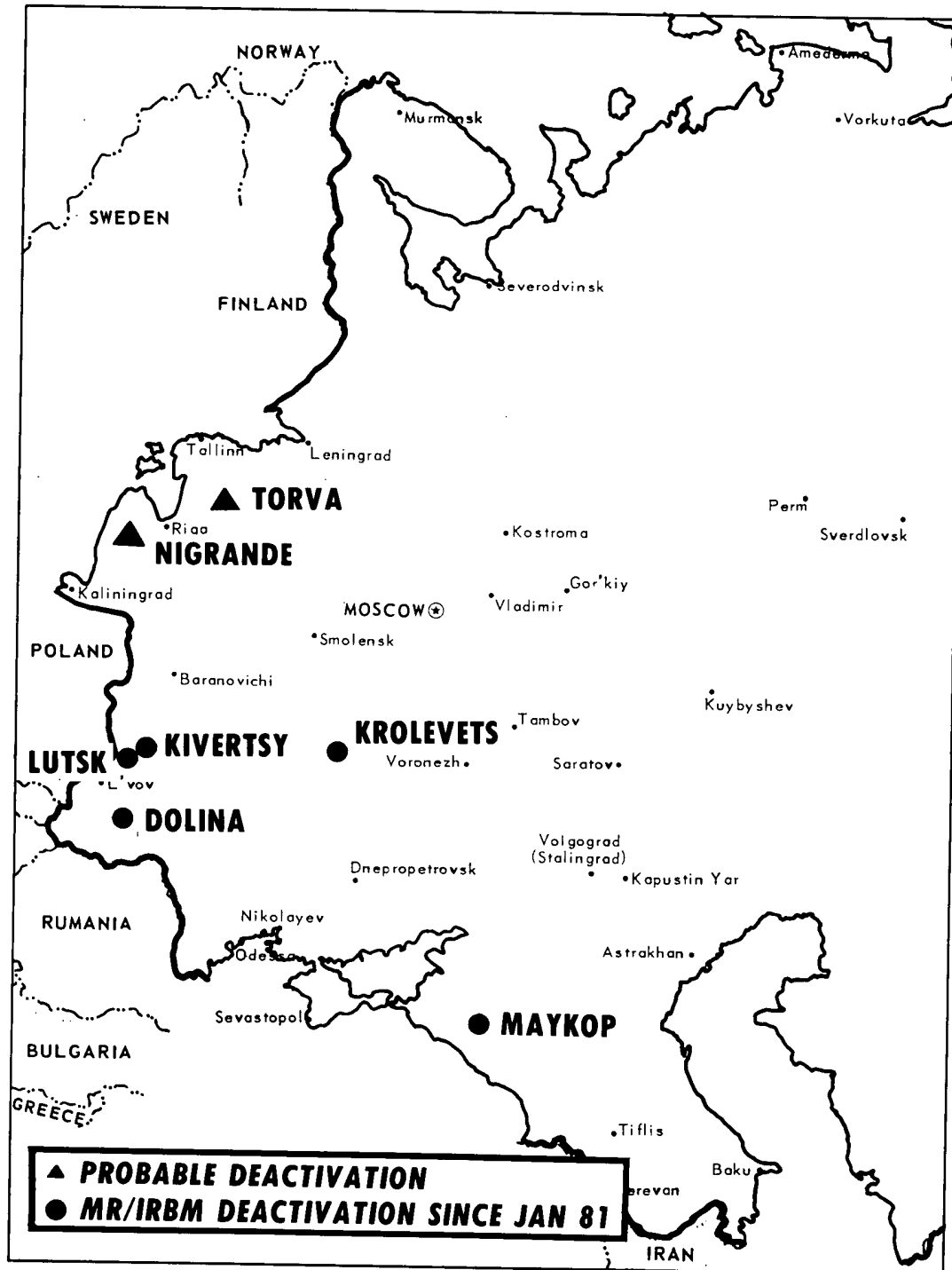


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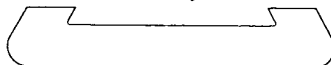
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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: DEACTIVATION OF NIGRANDE AND TORVA WOULD BRING CURRENT OPERATIONAL SS-4 AND SS-5 LAUNCHERS DOWN TO A TOTAL OF 268 SS-4 LAUNCHERS AND 22 SS-5 LAUNCHERS.

2. (S/D) REMARKS: DEACTIVATION OF NIGRANDE IRBM LAUNCH SITE 2 AND TORVA MRBM LAUNCH SITE 3 [REDACTED] MAY BE IN PROGRESS. TWO OF THE THREE SILO DOORS AT NIGRANDE LAUNCH SITE 2 (GRAPHIC 1 OF 2) ARE OPEN, AND ONE SILO IS EMPTY. OBLIQUITY OF THE IMAGERY PRECLUDES DETERMINING THE STATUS OF THE SECOND OPEN SILO. NO SS-5 MISSILE AIRFRAMES OR GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT IS PRESENT AT THE LAUNCH AREA. TWO TRAILERS ARE ON THE SILO APRON DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE EMPTY SILO. THREE SMALL VAN-BODIED TRUCKS, TWO VEHICLES/TRAILERS, AND SEVERAL PERSONNEL ARE ALSO ON THE SILO APRON. TWO EMPTY, CANVAS-COVERED SS-5 SILO LOADERS

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[REDACTED], ALL THREE SILO DOORS WERE CLOSED, AND NO ACTIVITY WAS PRESENT IN THE LAUNCH AREA.

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(S/D) AT TORVA LAUNCH SITE 3, THE A-SHAPED ENVIRONMENTAL COVERS OVER THE LAUNCH SILOS ARE BEING REMOVED. AT LEAST ONE COVER HAS BEEN COMPLETELY REMOVED, WHILE ONLY FRAMEWORKS WITHOUT SHEETING MATERIAL REMAIN AT THE OTHER THREE SILOS. GENERAL ABANDONMENT OF THE SITE ALREADY APPEARS TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE. SNOW HAS NOT BEEN REMOVED FROM IN FRONT OF THE FOUR SILO DOORS AND ONLY SNOW REMOVAL FOR VEHICLE ACCESS TO THE LAUNCH APRON AND PORTIONS OF THE SUPPORT AREA HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. NO VEHICLES OR PERSONNEL ACTIVITY IS EVIDENT AT EITHER THE LAUNCH OR SUPPORT AREAS.

(S/D) POSITIVE CONFIRMATION OF DEACTIVATION OF HARD LAUNCH SITES IS USUALLY CONTINGENT UPON OBVIOUS SIGNS OF ABANDONMENT OR DISREPAIR, SUCH AS THE REMOVAL OF PAVING BLOCKS FROM THE LAUNCH APRON, REMOVAL OF SECURITY FENCING FROM THE LAUNCH SITE, OR THE RAZING OF SECURITY AND SUPPORT BUILDINGS. DEACTIVATION

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TO A TOTAL OF 268 SS-4 LAUNCHERS AND 22 SS-5 LAUNCHERS. SINCE
JANUARY 1981, A TOTAL OF 13 LAUNCH SITES WITH 49 LAUNCHERS HAS
BEEN DEACTIVATED (GRAPHIC 2 OF 2).

3. BE NA, COORDINATES NA

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